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July 31, 2007

Mr. Bradford Frisby
Associate General Counsel
National Mining Association
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Dear Mr. Frisby:

In response to your email memorandum dated July 20, 2007, this is a letter of recommendation with respect to the Surface Transportation Board's request for candidates for the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee ("Committee"). The individual I recommend is Betsy Monseu, who works for me in the capacity of Vice President, Transportation. She has held this position with Foundation's sales organization for about three years. Betsy is responsible for all corporate transportation matters with respect to the more than 70 million tons per year of coal that Foundation ships to domestic and export customers from our mining operations in Wyoming, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Her role entails regular interaction on both a tactical and strategic basis with the four largest U.S. Class 1 railroads as well as short line railroads.

Betsy has been with Foundation Coal and its predecessor companies for nearly thirteen years, all in transportation. Prior to that, her varied experience includes working in coal marketing with Southern Pacific Lines (now part of Union Pacific Railroad) and working in coal procurement for a Midwestern electric utility company.

I believe that Betsy's background makes her well-suited to be part of this Committee. Therefore, I request that she be considered for participation in the "coal producer" category. She has made the commitment to me to serve as a two-year member of the Committee if selected. Her contact information is as follows:

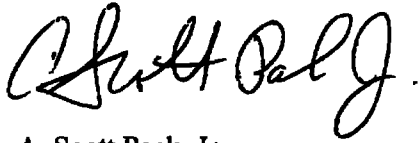
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Please advise Betsy directly if NMA chooses to forward her name and credentials to the Surface Transportation Board for potential participation on this Committee, and thanks for your consideration.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Scott Pack, Jr.", with a stylized, cursive script.

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cc: Betsy Monseu, Vice President Transportation, Foundation Energy Sales, Inc.